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REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 132-16 OR 15d-16 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of June 2002



Kookmin Bank

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

9-1, 2-Ga, Namdaemun-Ro, Jung-Gu, Seoul, Korea 100-703

(Address of principal executive office)

(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.)

Form 20-F \underline{X} Form 40-F

(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.)

Yes ____ No \underline{X}

(If "yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82-

Strategic Alliance Between Kookmin Bank and ING Group

On June 1, 2002, Kookmin Bank released the following announcement with regard to maintaining the strategic alliance.

Press Announcement

Kookmin Bank and ING Group have not reached a conclusion regarding ING's additional investment in the Bank and the structure of mutually beneficial strategic alliance by 31st of May 2002, a present deadline. However, both parties have agreed to continue the discussion.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Kookmin Bank

(Registrant)

Date: June 3, 2002

(Signature)

Name: Jong-Kyoo Yoon

Title: Executive Vice President &

Chief Financial Officer